State of California Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 **FROM**: Department of Parks and Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE: Wetland Delineation - Shasta Ruins Stabilization

LOCATION: Shasta State Historic Park COUNTY: Shasta

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

A wetland delineation following US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) survey protocols will be conducted within the Area of Potential Effects of the Shasta Ruins Stabilization Major Capital Outlay project at Shasta SHP. This work will consist of excavations sufficient to ascertain the presence of hydric soils and whether a USACE jurisdictional wetland exists within the project footprint. A total of 4-6 holes will be necessary for hydric soils determination. The size of individual holes will be approximately 1.5 feet wide by 1.5 feet long to a maximum depth of 15 inches. All excavations will be backfilled following collection of soils information. A cultural resource specialist will observe the work to ensure that ground disturbing work will not adversely impact subsurface cultural resources.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Service Center

EXEMPT STATUS:

Class 6, Section 15306 - Information Collection

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of basic data collection, research, experimental management, and/or resource evaluation activities that will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

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